

REMARKS

Favorable reconsideration of this application is respectfully requested.

Claims 1-4, 8 and 12-23 are pending in the present application. Claim 11 has been cancelled by the present amendment.

Claims 1-4, 8 and 11-23 were objected to because of the informality noted on page 2, paragraph 1 of the Office Action. Claims 1-4, 8 and 14 were rejected under 35 USC 103(a) as being unpatentable over Liu et. al. in view of Wotton et. al. and Teshima. Claims 15-23 were rejected under 35 USC 103(a) as being unpatentable over Liu et al in view of Wooton et. al. and Teshima, further in view of Behnke et. al. Claims 11-13 were objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but indicated as being allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. Applicants acknowledge with appreciation the indication of allowable subject matter with respect to claims 11-13.

With reference to the above noted objection and rejection of the claims, the present amendment amends claim 1 to correct the informality noted on page 2, paragraph 1 of the Office Action, and further amends the claims in view of the indication of allowable subject matter. More specifically, claim 1 has been amended to delete "are used" from line 5 and to include the limitations of allowable claim 11. Therefore, pending claims 1-4, 8 and 12-23 are allowable.

This Application is now believed to be in condition for favorable reconsideration and early allowance, and such actions are respectfully requested.

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